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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the measures contemplated to monitor the activities of primary health centres in the country; and

(b) the steps taken in the direction of networking of hospitals in the country through computers?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE(SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) & (b) Under IDSP an information network is proposed to be established with District Surveillance Unit connected with all major hospitals within each district. The information relating to occurrence of important diseases would be collected from all primary health centres for surveillance to identify situation of impending outbreaks for timely action.

In addition, Government reviews/monitors the functioning of Primary Health Care Institutions, from time to time.

A Facility Survey has been conducted in the country, in two phases (1998-99 and 2003-2004), which assessed the availability of infrastructure i.e. water facility, electricity, vehicle, operation theatre, labour room etc. and health manpower position in the Primary Health Care Institutions in the country.

The Rural Health Care Infrastructure status in the country has been reviewed in the four regional workshops held at Chandigarh, Chennai, Mumbai and Kolkatta in November-December 2004.

#The Health Centres are also monitored for their functioning by periodic visits by State Government Officers, Regional Directors of Government of India and also by Officers of Central Government.
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